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TAGS: GATT ETRD

SUBJ: GATT COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 28

REF: STATE 54726

1. OF FOLLOWING ACTIONS TAKEN BY GATT COUNCIL MARCH 28,
WASHINGTON ACTION REQUESTED IN PARAS 3,4,5,6. US HAS
REQUESTED MEMBERSHIP ON ALL WORKING PARTIES MENTIONED.

2. EC-NORWAY REPORT. US (MILLER) MADE STATEMENTS PER
REFTEL; COUNCIL ADOPTED REPORT.

3. EC-TURKEY. WP FORMED WITH STANDARD TERMS OF REFERENCE.
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CHAIRMAN IS TAN, SINGAPORE. ACTION REQUESTED: QUESTIONS

ON SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL DUE TO GATT SECRETARIAT BY
MAY 3, 1974. REPLIES WILL THEN BE SUPPLIED BY JUNE 15
SO WP CAN MEET BEFORE GATT SUMMER RECESS.

4. EC-LEBANON. WP FORMED WITH STANDARD TERMS OF
REFERENCE. CHAIRMAN IS MARIADASON, SRI LANKA. ACTION
REQUESTED: QUESTIONS ON THIS AGREEMENT ALSO DUE TO
GATT SECRETARIAT BY MAY 3, 1974, WITH SAME ENSUING
SCHEDULE AS WITH EC-TURKEY ABOVE. LEBANON TO OBSERVE
AT WP.

5. ROMANIA CUSTOMS TARIFF. ROMANIA TO PREPARE SUPPLE-
MENTARY PAPER GIVING DETAILS OF TARIFF SYSTEM (ROMANIA
DEL PROMISED PRIVATELY SUPPLY US WITH ANY ADDITIONAL INFO
WE REQUIRE ON THEIR SUBMISSION ONCE CIRCULATED). WP
FORMED WITH STANDARD TERMS OF REFERENCE, CHAIRMAN IS
COLLIANDER, SWEDEN. ACTION REQUESTED: QUESTIONS DUE
WITHIN FIVE WEEKS OF CIRCULATION OF ROMANIAN PAPER.
ANTICIPATED DUE DATE FOR QUESTIONS IS MAY 31, 1974 AND FOR
REPLIES, JULY 1, 1974, ASSUMING PAPER IS RECEIVED PROMPTLY.
EXACT WP WORK SESSION DATES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. EC
EXPRESSED HOPE WP COULD MEET IN JULY.

6. COLOMBIAN PROVISIONAL ACCESSION APPLICATION. WP
REESTABLISHED WITH SAME MEMBERSHIP AS BEFORE PLUS PERU
AND ROMANIA. CHAIRMAN IS TOMIC, YUGOSLAVIA. STANDARD
TERMS OF REFERENCE. COLOMBIA TO SUBMIT UPDATED MEMORANDUM
ON FOREIGN TRADE REGIME. ACTION REQUESTED: QUESTIONS
WILL BE DUE FIVE WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF COLOMBIAN
MEMORANDUM. SECRETARIAT THEN TO CONSULT WITH COLOMBIA
TO DETERMINE WHAT FURTHER PROCEDURES NECESSARY.

7. US AUTO PRODUCTS WAIVER. COUNCIL TOOK NOTE WITHOUT
COMMENT.

8. BRAZIL WAIVER EXTENSION. EXTENDED UNTIL 30 APRIL 1974.

9. INDIA AUXILIARY DUTY OF CUSTOMS. INDIA SAID MEASURE
NEEDED TO MOBILIZE RESOURCES, NOT DESIGNED FOR IMPORT
RESTRICTION; DRAWING ON FINANCE MINISTER'S BUDGET
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PRESENTATION TO PARLIAMENT, INDIA REP OUTLINED REASONS
WHY REVENUE NEEDS HAVE INCREASED, I.E. LARGE OUTLAYS
PLANNED IN AGRICULTURE, POWER, METALS, FERTILIZERS, COAL.
IMPORT COSTS OF OIL NOT MENTIONED. INDIA SAID LEVIES
WILL NOT HAVE ADVERSE INFLUENCE ON IMPORTS, BUT THEY
WILLING CONSULT WITH ANYONE. US SUPPORTED IN LIGHT OF
THESE ASSURANCES AND EXPLANATIONS, HOPED DUTY WOULD NOT
BE MAINTAINED LONGER THAN NECESSARY. ALL MEMBERS OF

COUNCIL WHO SPOKE SUPPORTED WAIVER EXTENSION, WITH
FOLLOWING COUNTRIES ADDING HOPE THAT MEASURE COULD BE
REMOVED SOON: US, POLAND, JAPAN, SWITZERLAND, KOREA.
COUNCIL RECOMMENDED EXTENSION UNTIL MARCH 31, 1975.

US VOTED FOR.

10. UNDER OTHER BUSINESS, INDONESIA REP MADE UNIN-
TELLIGIBLE STATEMENT ABOUT RENEGOTIATION OF OWN
TARIFF SCHEDULE UNDER ART. XXVIII. MISSION EXPLORING
MATTER TO SEE IF ANY ACTION REQUIRED. DALE

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